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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4-10 as follows:

- 4. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 2, characterized in
- 2 that the curtain (21) has a variation in layer thickness so as to
- 3 obtain said variation in light transmittance.
- 1 5. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 1, characterized in
- that the curtain (21) comprises a material chosen from the group
- 3 formed by calcium halophosphate and calcium pyrophosphate.
- 1 6. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 1, characterized in
- that the curtain (21) comprises a fluoro-copolymer as a binder.
- 1 7. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 1, characterized in
- 2 that the housing (2) further comprises a rear wall (8), and in that

- said rear wall (8) is provided with a reflecting coating (9) at a 3
- 4 side facing the light emission window (4).
- 8. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 1, characterized in 1
- 2 that said side wall (5, 5') is manufactured from a light-
- transmitting material. 3
- 1 9. (Amended) An assembly of a first luminaire (1) and a second
- luminaire (11) both as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first
- luminaire (1) lies against the second luminaire (11) with 3
- 4 respective side walls (5, 15),
- 5 while an edge (6) of the light emission window (4) of the
- first luminaire (1) lies against an edge (16) of a light emission
- 7 8 9 window (14) of the second luminaire (11) in the assembly of the
 - first (1) and the second luminaire (11),
 - and said light emission windows (4; 14) and said side
 - walls (5, 15) are manufactured from a light-transmitting material.
 - 10. (Amended) A method of presenting and/or selling an object,
 - characterized in that the object is illuminated by means of a
 - luminaire as claimed in claim 1.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment to claims 4-10 were made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependent form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicant respectfully reserves all rights under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicant furthermore reserves the right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix A

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made to the Claim The following are marked up versions of amended claims 4-10:

- 4. (Amended) 1 A luminaire as claimed in claim 2 or 3,
- characterized in that the curtain (21) has a variation in layer 2
- thickness so as to obtain said variation in light transmittance. 3
- A luminaire as claimed in claim $1, \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 2}}$ 1 5. (Amended)
- characterized in that the curtain (21) comprises a material chosen 2
- from the group formed by calcium halophosphate and calcium 3
- 4 pyrophosphate.
 - 6. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim 1, 2, or 3,
- Tell the least tell may be lea characterized in that the curtain (21) comprises a fluoro-copolymer
 - as a binder.

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- 7. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim $1, \frac{2}{0}$ or $\frac{3}{1}$
- T 1 T 2 characterized in that the housing (2) further comprises a rear wall
 - (8), and in that said rear wall (8) is provided with a reflecting
 - coating (9) at a side facing the light emission window (4).
 - 1 8. (Amended) A luminaire as claimed in claim $1, \frac{2}{1}, \frac{1}{1}$
 - characterized in that said side wall (5, 5') is manufactured from a 2
 - 3 light-transmitting material.
 - An assembly of a first luminaire (1) and a second 1 9. (Amended)
 - luminaire (11) both as claimed in claim $1, \frac{2}{0}, \frac{3}{0}$, wherein the 2
 - first luminaire (1) lies against the second luminaire (11) with 3
 - respective side walls (5, 15),

- 5 while an edge (6) of the light emission window (4) of the
- 6 first luminaire (1) lies against an edge (16) of a light emission
- 7 window (14) of the second luminaire (11) in the assembly of the
- 8 first (1) and the second luminaire (11),
- and said light emission windows (4; 14) and said side
- 10 walls (5, 15) are manufactured from a light-transmitting material.
- 1 10. (Amended) A method of presenting and/or selling an object,
- 2 characterized in that the object is illuminated by means of a
- 3 luminaire as claimed in claim 1, 2, or 3, or by means of an
- 4 assembly as claimed in claim 9.